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# March 6, 2012 Primary Election Dates and Deadlines for Voters

### Vote by Mail: You Must Request a Ballot Application if you wish to Vote by Mail:

Ballot applications are no longer automatically mailed to voters prior to each election. Ballot applications
are available on the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections website, <a href="www.boe.cuyahogacounty.us">www.boe.cuyahogacounty.us</a>, local public
libraries, or by calling 216-443-3298. Voters must pay postage when mailing their applications to the Board of
Elections.

#### January 31, 2012 - Vote by Mail opens:

 January 31st voters may begin to vote early at the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections, 2925 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44115, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. This is also the date the Board of Elections will begin mailing ballots to voters who have requested a ballot.

#### February 6, 2012 - Close of registration:

Voter registration and change of address deadline for the March 6th Primary Election is at 9:00 p.m. Voters who
have not registered, have moved, or have changed their name and not yet updated their registration, must do so
by this date. Registration cards are available at public libraries and at the Board of Elections website:
www.boe.cuyahogacounty.us.

#### March 2, 2012 - Last day to Vote Early at the Board of Elections.

6 p.m. is the deadline to hand deliver Vote by Mail ballot applications to the Board of Elections.

### March 3, 2012 – Mail-in Vote by Mail ballot application request deadline:

 The Cuyahoga County Board of Elections must receive mailed ballot application requests by noon on March 3rd for voters to be eligible to Vote by Mail.

## March 5, 2012 - Ballots mailed in the U.S. must be postmarked on or before this date.

Put a stamp on your ballot return envelope. Ballot envelopes are not postage-paid.

### March 6, 2012 - Election Day - Polls open at 6:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 p.m.

- Bring proper identification when voting: a current and valid photo identification card, driver's license or state
  issued identification, military identification, a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check,
  paycheck, or other government document that shows the voter's name and current address.
- Voters need to know their ward, precinct, and voting location. Voters may check at: www.boe.cuyahogacounty.us or call the Voter Information Hotline at 216-443-3298.
- Voted Absentee/Vote by Mail ballots returned in person must be received at the Board of Elections by 7:30 p.m.
- Voted Absentee/Vote by Mail ballots CANNOT be dropped off at a voting location.

For additional election information visit: www.boe.cuyahogacounty.us or call 216-443-3298





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# The March 6, 2012 Presidential Primary Election

The March 6th Primary will include 15 issues and feature candidates running for President, U.S. Congress, U.S. Senate, State Senate, State House Representatives, County Prosecutor, County Council Districts 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10. In addition, there will be candidates for Ohio Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court, as well as candidates for the Republican State and County Central Committees and Democratic State Central Committees.

The Board of Elections no longer automatically mails ballot applications to voters prior to each election. All registered voters may continue to Vote by Mail, however voters must now request their ballot application.

Vote by Mail ballot applications are available at the Board of Elections website: www.boe.cuyahogacounty.us, by calling the Board of Elections at 216-443-3298, or visiting the Board of Elections at 2925 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland. Ballot applications are also available at all public libraries.

Voters are being advised to become familiar with new political boundaries for County Council, State Legislative, and Congressional Districts that go into effect for the March 6th Primary Election. Maps are available on the Board of Elections website: www.boe.cuyahogacounty.us.

Voters should check their voting information prior to each election. Voters may confirm their ward, precinct, and voting location at the Board of Elections website: www.boe.cuyahogacounty.us or by calling 216-443-3298.



